

STATE OF MICHIGAN
COURT OF APPEALS

In the Matter of MARCUS ANTHONY
WILKERSON, Minor.

FAMILY INDEPENDENCE AGENCY,

Petitioner-Appellee,

v

MICHAEL ANTHONY WILKERSON,

Respondent-Appellant,

and

KIMBERLY JEAN WILKERSON,

Respondent.

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Before: Zahra, P.J., and Talbot and Owens, JJ.

MEMORANDUM.

Respondents-appellants appeal as of right from the trial court order terminating their parental rights to the minor child under MCL 712A.19b(3)(g) and (i). We affirm. This case is being decided without oral argument pursuant to MCR 7.214(E)(1)(b).

The trial court did not clearly err in finding that the statutory grounds for termination were established by clear and convincing evidence. MCR 5.974(I);¹ *In re Miller*, 433 Mich 331, 337; 445 NW2d 161 (1989); *In re McIntyre*, 192 Mich App 47, 50; 480 NW2d 293 (1991). Further, the evidence did not show that termination of respondent-appellants' parental rights was clearly not in the children's best interests. MCL 712A.19b(5); *In re Trejo Minors*, 462 Mich 341, 356-357; 612 NW2d 407 (2000). The evidence clearly demonstrated that respondents-appellants failed to address their domestic violence and substance abuse issues. Moreover, the evidence established that respondents-appellants' parental rights to three other children had been terminated following unsuccessful attempts to rehabilitate them. Thus, the trial court did not err in terminating respondents-appellants' parental rights to the child.

Affirmed.

/s/ Brian K. Zahra
/s/ Michael J. Talbot
/s/ Donald S. Owens

¹ Effective May 1, 2003, the court rule provisions on termination of parental rights are found in MCR 3.977. In this opinion, we refer to the rule in effect at the time of the lower court decision.